

REMARKS

Claims 1-2 and 4-15 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 14 are amended and claim 3 is canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter disclosed therein. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicant gratefully appreciates the indication that claims 2, 3, 13 and 15 are allowable.

The Office Action objects to the drawings because of informalities. The drawings are amended by adding the label "Related Art" to Figs. 11-15, and by removing the label "17" from Fig. 15. However, with respect to the features recited in claims 5, 6 and 9, these features, such as a rotation mechanism for rotating the projector unit, a rotation mechanism for rotating the polarizing direction selection unit and a light forming optical system, are already disclosed in the specification at, for example, page 9, lines 6-13, and thus are part of the original disclosure. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 7, 11 and 14 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over Marschner et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2005/0089199); claims 4 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Marschner; and claims 5, 6, 9, 10 and 12 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Marschner in view of Halioua et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,641,972). The rejections are respectfully traversed.

In particular, the incorporation of the subject matter of allowable claim 3 into independent claims 1 and 14 renders independent claims 1 and 14 are allowable.

Thus, for at least these reasons, independent claims 1 and 14, and their dependent claims, are patentable over a combination of the applied references. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-2 and 4-15 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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Attachment:

Replacement Sheets - Figs. 11-15

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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached replacement drawing sheets makes changes to Figs. 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 and replace the original sheets with Figs. 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets